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Dear Js,

With less than anhour before lunch there's not point in picking up writing on (I'd like your opinion of title and possibilities on a cover) The Double Double-Cross. Your 6/3 came. I've read it but not enclosures, which I'll do twixntween other things. By now you know that one of the Gervais things is a dupe, but I'm glad to get it. Infrequently someone sends me a clip from the N.O. papers. I've sent you carbons of what I then noted and said.

Call from Moo this a.m. on other matters. He thinks Gervais will not take stand 6/12, agrees intent is perjury rap. My own view is that he will ask for immunity and will offer to testify with it, which will do more than call government bluff. The question here will be legal and his lawyer's attitude toward it. He could blow their minds by testifying and running the risk of perjury and more by getting immunity, which is why I think they'll not do it. It could, with an honest press, be embarrassing for them to offer him immunity on the most serious of crimes (fact-he has it) and not on possibility of perjury rap.

Oershing's quoted lack of fear on contract can have two origins, and I favor one. Not that he is all that brave and that he has no enemies. That those who had an interest in hurting him have lost it and whether or not they understand it, should understand that as long as he says things against the government he is helping them. My fear is a contrived contact, where a hood does the job but not for defendants. Were it not that he has no genuine fear and that he is ansxious to demonstrate it, he'd not have advertised his return as well as he has. It is sufficiently detailed in the papers so that it should not be hard to identify the highways he would use, hence find him via his car, which is registered at every motel. I think he will have been correctly read by now and that it will be understood that a) he had no alternative to what he did and b) in the lon run, it serves every interested party as best he could, under the existing circumstances.

The Bremer parallel you suggest is real. I began feeling this kind of thing possible at the timeof the Austin college-tower tragedy. I then began a "Sniper" file, but abandoned it because I just have to cut back. I did clip what was in the Post on the current case, a mere mention, so your clip, unread, is welcome. The whole area of dealing with the disturbed is really unexplored. The shrinks have been fatuous and irrelevant. And Flatulent. The do offer the liklier recruits

Wit what you say about the Japenese I can't disagree. I think you stopped too soon. I do not have your knowledge of the orient, but a few smatterings of ignorance linger from the last job on which I wa working in OSS prior to medical discharge, when I was rehired as a civilian in a different branch where my specialties could be of more use. I was thenpart of a crew working for texts for the Army of Expected Occupation. So, the things you discuss are not foreign to me. However, what you fail to take into account is the changes of the modern world on all youth, as I see these changes. For example, how foreign to the Messada tradition is the JDL (clip in next batch). There is nothing in the Jewish tradition to parallel the present Israeli military policies since the Maccabees, as I draw upon an inadequate recall of an originally inadequate knowledge. The Latin American kids are not consistent with their cultures, really a single one. Castro is a ffeak among Latin American revolutionaries, almost all of whom sold out fairly quickly (not all). No, I have met one of the modern Japanese kids when he was an exchange student here, and I found remnants of the past not surviving his living in the present. He is the son of an executive of the Japanese Broadcasting System and radical enough to have engaged in radical activity outside Japan on the ground that all radical activity serves the same end,his. Like you, I am untroubled by the mercenary aspect. I regard those fellows who did so terrible a thing as I regard the Arab guerrillas who have never assailed their real repressors as, in their own eyes, principled. I don't agree, but I do believe they are sincere in this belief and on this basis I can understand their sem-Trotskyite attitude. And practise. Assuming them not sick in the head, which could account for any act. And I seem to recall a bit more of what to us would be brutality in the Japanese culture than you suggest, and that it was accepted. They are likewise more sensitive to the niceties than we, witness their delicacy with the Puerto Rican funerals, among other things.

Let me add another dimension in Sirhan (and no disagreement with what you say): there was a fairly strong Arab anti-Israeli, radical-right oriented group in the LA area, including a dentist, Toma. So I can accept the well-dressed man bit, too. I have other and

serious troubles with Owen, as you do. And I think you segregate the tapes properly, for although you give th same cast, Hal told me the interview was in Davis' SF office and I think I'd have recognized if the voice were not Turner's. That ism while I would not now recognize yours, I would Turner's.

I have no separate file on The Billiken Courier and I don't recall the author, of whom I'd not heard. I suggest that the easiest and fastest way to locate a copy will not take long. First, I think Ballantine was the publisher or the reprinter if an original paperback. The second way is by looking up the title in Books In Print, Starting about 5-6 years ago. It won't take long in the library or any large bookstore. If you will not be getting to either soon, the first time I write the guy who gave it to me(five days on mail-he has left country) I'll ask him.

Earlier, after I took a walk, I began a search for your missing early-day King files. I haven t even found that first and only Caldwell story, which leads me to the certainty that I have to think of more files in which it can be or if I loaned it. However, in those many files I did search, I have no single original clip of that period from you. I have even checked my attache cases, in which I sometimes store what I may use in th infrequent appearances. As a general practise, Je marks what she wants returned with a little slip, and as my general practise I go over it first and return as soon as I can. There remains the possibility that some mailing didn't get through. I am following two practises beginning now. I will number each first-class mailing and letter the 3rd. This way you will know if you get all. I can't keep a record, but unless there is some reason to send something fastm what I'm doing is accumulating to close to the limit of postage of any denomination and then mailing. So, it will be simple to address a new envelope on the mailing of the one before. I have just identified this envelope as "1" and the 3rd clas one started as "A".

As you will see, I have taken an UnKaiserlich approach to Bremer with today's stories (written early, before paper came) and interviews via a detective with whom I have worked on radical-right activities. We'll see. I doubt his lawyer will go for it for non-legal reasons: commercial-he'll want the possible literary rights. I expect none, but I'm also not giving them away.

Braggart dept:It now turns out that HHH says HW read HHH correctly on Wallace-and that HHH is now open about it. I did a sidebar for the Enquirer on this. I didn't expect them to use it. It is now clear, as I then found it, that HHH did not at all say what he had been universally accepted as having said, and the Madame Wallace soon enough confirmed me. What she said is that the Dem's need him on the ticket, which is not to say as Number 1.

Munch! Best,